

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

CONJUGATES USEFUL IN THE TREATMENT OF PROSTATE  
CANCER

5 ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Chemical conjugates which comprise oligopeptides,  
having amino acid sequences that are selectively proteolytically cleaved  
by free prostate specific antigen (PSA) and known cytotoxic agents  
10 are disclosed. The conjugates of the invention are characterized by a  
hydroxylalkylamino linker between the oligopeptide and vinblastine.  
Such conjugates are useful in the treatment of prostatic cancer and  
benign prostatic hypertrophy (BPH). Also disclosed are novel  
15 cytotoxic agents that are derivatives of vinca alkaloid drugs.

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